

## HISTORIC CARTOON --- LITTLE JOE DOES COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

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In the late 1940s, some summary product about the USSR was illustrated with cartoons about a character nicknamed “Little Joe” because of his, intentional, resemblance to the leader of the Soviet Union, Joseph Stalin. In this panel, Little Joe is going undercover, sort of, to monitor bar talk by Soviet Navy members.

508 caption: two men in Soviet sailor’s uniforms, one wearing an officer’s cap, one with an enlisted man’s, are talking at a bar on which several empty bottles rest. Behind them, Little Joe is poised hand on ear to listen to their conversation. Little Joe, who sports a bushy Stalin-esque

moustache, is in disguise --- a barmaid's dress with frilly cap and a wig with pigtails; combat boots stick out from beneath his hemline, and he is smoking a cigarette in a holder.